

File ref: FTAA-2508-1097 and FTAA-2509-1100

02 April 2026

Waitaki Rūnanga:

By mail:

Te Rūnanga o Arowhenua:

[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

Te Rūnanga o Waihao:

Te Rūnanga o Moeraki:

[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu

By email:

[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]
[Redacted]

Tēnā koutou

Request for information from mana whenua in relation to the Haldon Solar and The Point Solar Farm applications under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

The Haldon Solar Expert Panel and The Point Solar Farm Expert Panel (the Panels) have directed the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) to request further information from you under section 67 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act), relating to the Haldon Solar and The Point Solar Farm applications.

At the direction of the Panel, the EPA is seeking further information from you identifying whether further engagement with the applicants (Lodestone Energy Limited and Far North Solar Farm Limited), has occurred, and whether agreement has been reached about conditions to be advanced by the applicants. While there are six entities named in this request, the Panels are hopeful of a single, joint response, if there is a common position.

The Panels appreciate the clear responses to its earlier Requests for Further Information from mana whenua. This request builds upon those responses, and seeks:

1. Your feedback on whether there has been agreement in principle on mana whenua expectations with Lodestone Energy Limited and Far North Solar Farm Limited respectively on their applications to establish a solar farms in the Mackenzie Basin
2. Your views on whether there are any outstanding issues that remain unresolved
3. The agreed results of those discussions, for instance, if there will be a Kaitiaki Forum, or Kaitiaki Governance Group, or similar to be established, and its purpose, role and how it might function

fasttrack.govt.nz | info@fasttrack.govt.nz | 0800 FASTRK

Fast-track is administered by the Environmental Protection Authority
Private Bag 63002, Wellington 6140, New Zealand | NZBN: 9429041901977

4. Confirmation of whether agreement has been reached on the conditions to be put forward by the applicant with respect to these matters.

Supply of Information

In accordance with section 67(2) of the Act you must:

- a) Provide electronic copies of the information or report requested; or
- b) Advise the EPA, with reasons that you decline to provide the information or report requested.

Accordingly, please provide the requested information to the EPA by **5pm Friday 17 April 2026**. If the information is not received by this date, the Panel will proceed on the basis that the request for further information has been declined.

Please note, the information will be provided to the Panel, the applicant and every person who provided comments on the application. The information will also be made available on the Fast-track website.

If you have any questions, please contact Application Lead, June Cahill, by email at info@fasttrack.govt.nz

Nāku noa, nā

June Cahill
Application Lead, Fast-track Applications